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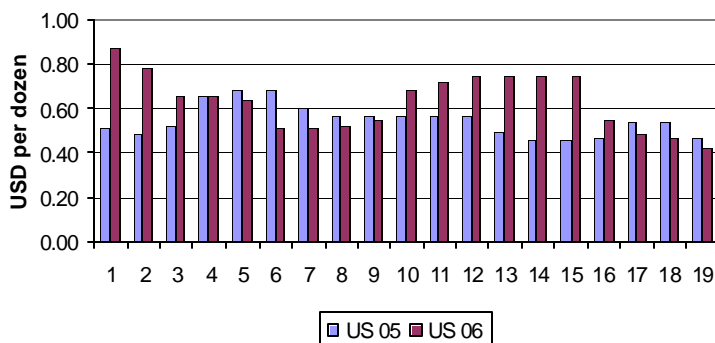
Egg production in the EU-15 fell sharply in 2003 due to an outbreak of avian influenza in the Netherlands and parts of Germany and Belgium, to 7,657 million dozen eggs compared to from 7,927 million dozen eggs in 2002 (5.07 million metric tons to 5.25 million metric tons). Over 55 percent of the table egg production in the Netherlands was lost. Dutch egg production fell from 657,000 metric tons in 2001 to 635,000 metric tons in 2002 and 463,000 metric tons in 2003. German egg production fell from 877,000 metric tons in 2001 to 868,000 metric tons in 2002 and 814,000 metric tons in 2003. By 2005 hen egg production in the EU-15 was still below 2002 figures.

U.S. and EU Hen Egg Production in million dozens

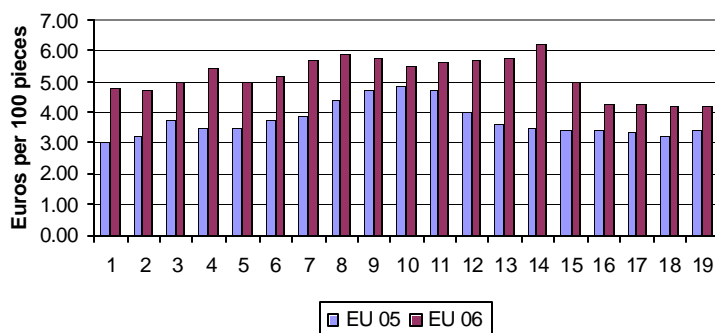
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
EU-15	7,923	7,927	7,658	7,871	7,874
EU-N10*	1,533	1,581	1,585	1,561	1,507
Total	9,456	9,508	9,243	9,432	9,381
US	6,066	6,020	6,200	6,365	6,405

*EU-N10: Ten new Member States

U.S. Eggs, Weekly Prices



EU Eggs, Weekly Prices



EU Egg Prices: Large, White graded loose, Weser-Ems

US Egg Prices: Large, White, cartoned, Northeast, USDA, AMS, Poultry Programs, Market News Branch

European egg prices on graded loose large white eggs (Weser-Ems) are higher for each of the first 19 weeks in 2006 when compared to the same period in 2005. U.S. cartoned large egg prices in the Northeast were sharply stronger in January 2006 when compared to a year earlier, but prices have been irregular for the first 19 weeks of 2006, ranging from sharply higher to slightly lower to the corresponding week a year earlier.

U.S. Egg and Egg Product Exports to the EU

	January-December		January-March		
	2003	2004	2005	2005	2006
Dried Whole	1,780.0	701.3	387.3	119	19.6
Dried Yolk	37.4	96.9	454.4	85.6	152.1
Dried Albumin	100.3	411.4	945.2	234.4	187.2
Liquid/Frozen:					
Whole	0	0.8	516.3	0	82.4
Yolk	112.3	102.3	0	0	18.5
Albumin	66.4	53.5	25.9	0	0.4
Shell Eggs	6,371,813	0	290,740	0	27,250

Egg products in metric tons, shell eggs in dozens

Source: Eurostat and Agriculture and Rural Development DG; United Nations FAOTAT; Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics; USDA, AMS, Poultry Programs, Market News Branch; NASS, USDA Agricultural Statistics Board

Export Requirements for Russia

The Food Safety Inspection Service posted an update on export requirements for Russia on May 12, 2006. Documentation requirements were changed.

Effective immediately, obtain carbon set FSIS 9450-4 (03/10/2006), Veterinary Certificate for Export of Poultry Meat to the Russian Federation. ***All certificates with signature dates after May 25, 2006, must be the 03/10/2006 version of FSIS 9450-4. The previous version (8/27/2002) must not be signed after May 25, 2006.*** The last bullet point in Statement 4.2 regarding avian influenza has been revised in the new version. The new statement certifies that highly pathogenic avian influenza and low pathogenic H5 and H7 serotypes were not reported in the state for the last 3 months. All states comply with this requirement at this time. A guideline for 9450-4 has been developed to assist in the preparation of this certificate. This certificate has a preprinted certificate number and is a controlled document. FSIS Form 9060-5, Meat and Poultry Certificate of Wholesomeness should not be issued. If necessary, obtain carbon set FSIS 9450-4B (8/27/2002), Continuation Sheet for the Veterinary Certificate for Export of Poultry Meat to the Russian Federation. Single sheet versions of these certificates must not be used. Information about the U.S. government eagle watermark on these certificates is contained in Export Notice 2005-3.

*change from April 24, 2006 requirements.

Source: FSIS Library of Export Requirements

http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations_&_policies/Export_Information/index.asp

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Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 6, 2006	Year-To-Date			
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/	2005
Liquid	258	563	3,531	5,867
Frozen	0	0	125	21
Dried	40	0	187	107
Total	298	563	3,843	5,995

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending May 6, 2006	Year-To-Date			
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/	2005
Liquid	35	134	1,030	3,019
Frozen	4	0	369	327
Dried	0	0	41	340
Total	39	134	1,440	3,686

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 6, 2006	Year-To-Date			
TYPE	2006	2005 1/	2006 2/	2005
Jumbo	0	0	150	33
Extra Large	2,190	7,410	28,980	88,502
Large	5,430	5,010	40,045	203,190
Medium	2,490	3,420	27,965	34,275
Ungraded	7,440	0	36,764	38,464
Misc	0	990	2,580	5,863
Total	17,550	16,830	136,484	370,327

1/ Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

2/ Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section
Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

May 12, 2006

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED

--- PRICES ---		---- VOLUME ----		
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	20.00	16.00	101,200	-
WTD AVERAGE	20.00	16.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.00-19.50	13.00-17.00	1,359,200	630,400
WTD AVERAGE	16.07	14.46		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

W/E 06-May-06 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,121	1,530	2,651
Last Week	1,110	1,456	2,566
Same week yr ago	1,604	1,485	3,089
To-date/2006	21,405	25,908	47,313
To-date/2005	27,699	24,211	51,910

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	152	0	152
Last Week	287	0	287
Same week yr ago	216	8	224
To-date/2006	4,252	10	4,262
To-date/2005	5,178	26	5,204

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. Fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,273	1,530	2,803
Last Week	1,397	1,456	2,853
Same week yr ago	1,820	1,493	3,313
To-date/2006	25,657	25,918	51,575
To-date/2005	32,877	24,237	57,114

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

May 12, 2006

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED

--- PRICES ---		---- VOLUME ----		
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	15.00-16.00	320,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		15.63		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.75-20.00	12.00-15.00	1,576,000	936,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.07	12.88		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	120,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 12 MAY 2006.

The market tone on fresh tom breast meat ranged from instances barely steady to fully steady, mostly; balance of white meat steady to instances firm. Demand moderate to good. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat were light to instances fully adequate with some still noting offerings of spot loads for prompt shipments, balance short to light. The market tone on tom necks was mixed ranging from barely steady to fully steady, tom full-cut wings steady to fully steady, tom 2-joint wings steady to barely steady. Some spot strength was noted on sized tom drums, otherwise steady to barely steady. Demand in a full range, mostly moderate. Offerings of tom drums ranged from light at best on sized product to instances fully adequate, tom necks light to instances fully adequate, tom full-cut wings mostly light at best and held with confidence. Domestic trading was active on tom wings and white meat, balance slow. Export trading was active on tom drums and hen frozen thigh meat, balance slow. For domestic: hen defatted gizzards 43, Grade A non-basted 18-20 lb. breasts 180, fresh wing meat with skin 95, fresh scapula 134.50 cents delivered. For export: fresh tom drums 40, fresh thigh meat 73 cents delivered.

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME	WEEKLY	WEEKLY
FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)	PRICE	VOLUME
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	37.00-38.00		37.37	328	38.94	1,182
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.00	20		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	32.00	216	32.98	320
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		M	26.00	52	26.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	68.00-69.00		68.54	224	69.00	1,044

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME
THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	39.00		39.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	32.00		32.00	216
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		M	26.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	68.00-72.00		70.08	520

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME
WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	38.00-40.00		38.55	110
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	35.00	104
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		M	26.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	67.00		67.00	156

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME
TUESDAY, MAY 09, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	39.78	664
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	35.00	104
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		M	26.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	68.00	144

EXPORT TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T.	WTD AVG	VOLUME
MONDAY, MAY 08, 2006	RANGE	CODE 1/	PRICE	(000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	39.00-40.00		39.78	664
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	35.00		35.00	104
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	26.00		26.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	67.00-69.00		68.00	144

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.